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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-14 (canceled)

1 Claim 15 (currently amended): [A method for use in
2 conjunction with] In a telecommunications network
3 communicatively connecting a first user terminal associated
4 with an originating network-user and second user terminal
5 associated with a receiving network-user, a method for
6 providing input data of a first data type, entered by the
7 originating network-user through the first user terminal, as
8 output data, of a second data type, to the second user
9 terminal for display thereat to the receiving network-user,
10 the method comprising the steps of:

11 receiving, from the first user terminal, the input data
12 in a server connected to the network;

13 transmitting the input data, from the server and via
14 the network, to a service platform, the service platform
15 being connected to the network and remote from the first and
16 second user terminals; and

17 storing, in the platform, the input data along with an
18 activation code referencing the input data;

19 forming, in the server, a web page containing a media
20 player associated with the second data type, the activation
21 code and an address of the platform;

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22 sending, from the server and through the network, a
23 message to the second user terminal, the message containing
24 a link to the web page;

25 sending, from the server and upon receipt of an
26 indication from the second user terminal that the receiving
27 network-user has invoked the link in the message, the web
28 page to the second user terminal; and

29 upon receipt of a response at the platform, comprising
30 the activation code, from the second user terminal
31 signifying that the user has invoked the media player, the
32 steps performed in the platform of:

33 accessing, through use of the activation code, the
34 stored input data;

35 converting, through the platform, the stored input
36 data from the first data type into the output data of the
37 second data type; and

38 transmitting the output data, from the platform
39 and via the network, to the second user terminal to be
40 rendered, via the second user terminal and through the media
41 player, to the receiving network-user.

1 Claim 16 (previously presented): The method recited in
2 claim 15 wherein the first data type is text and the second
3 data type is streaming audio or video.

1 Claim 17 (previously presented): The method recited in
2 claim 15 further comprising the step of:

3 assigning, by the server, an associated identification
4 code which identifies the server; and

5 sending the input data and the associated
6 identification code, from the server and via the network, to
7 the service platform; and

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8 verifying, in the platform, the identification code
9 prior to storing the input data in the platform.

1 Claim 18 (previously presented): The method recited in
2 claim 15 wherein the network is a mobile network and the
3 first user terminal is a mobile handset.

1 Claim 19 (previously presented): The method recited in
2 claim 15 wherein the service platform and the server are
3 situated at a common physical location.

1 Claim 20 (previously presented): The method of claim 15
2 further comprising the step of charging either the
3 originating network-user or the receiving network-user for
4 use of the service platform in converting the input data
5 into the output data.

1 Claim 21 (previously presented): The method recited in
2 claim 15 wherein the response further comprises an address
3 of the service platform.

1 Claim 22 (previously presented): The method recited in
2 claim 15 further comprising the step of associating the
3 output data with a file or an electronic document,
4 designated by the originating network-user, such that the
5 file or electronic document can be provided along with the
6 output data to the second user terminal.